

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims**

1. (Currently Amended): A process for preparing an industrial polyester multifilament yarn, comprising ~~the steps of~~:
  - A) melt-extruding a polyester polymer having ethylene terephthalate units of 90 mol% or more and passing the extruded yarn through a delay quenching zone and then a quenching zone to solidify the yarn to have an intrinsic viscosity of 0.88 or more;
  - B) oiling and taking up the undrawn yarn at an appropriate speed with the density of 1.338 to 1.365 g/cm<sup>3</sup>; and
  - C) drawing the ~~yarns yarn~~ at the glass transition temperature or lower in three stages with the proviso that the draw ratio is greater in the 1<sup>st</sup> stage than in the 2<sup>nd</sup> stage or the 3<sup>rd</sup> stage and greater in the 3<sup>rd</sup> stage than in the 2<sup>nd</sup> stage, heat-setting the drawn ~~yarns yarn~~, relaxing heat-set ~~yarns yarn~~, and winding the resulting ~~yarns yarn~~,  
[whereby said] to obtain an industrial polyester multifilament yarn ~~has~~ having a terminal modulus of 35 g/d or less and a tenacity of 7.2 g/d or more.
2. (Currently Amended): The process according to claim 1, wherein the yarn is drawn at a total draw ratio of 1.5 to 2.5.
3. (Canceled)